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THEREOF

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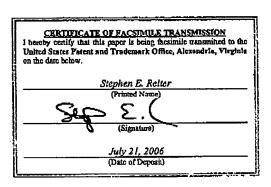
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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312

Sir:

This post allowance amendment is being submitted on even date with the payment of the issue fee, pursuant to the recently received Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed on June 8, 2006. The time for payment of the Issue Fee is set to expire on September 8, 2006. Accordingly, this communication is timely filed.

Responsive to the Examiner's comments contained in the Examiner's Amendment dated June 8, 2006, Applicants seek to clarify the record. Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's characterization of cancelled claims 33-35 as "non-enabled method of use claims" (Notice of Allowability, p. 2). As argued in Applicants' communication dated January 19, 2006, Applicants maintain that these claims are fully enabled by the application. Claims 33-35 were

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